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SUBJECT: GODR RELEASES GUERRILLA' S VERSION OF FEBRUARY 2 LANDING

1. ON MAY 7, THE ARMED FORCES SECRETARIAT RELEASED TO THE PRESS PHOTSTATIC COPIES OF TWENTY HAND- WRITTEN PAGES CONTAINING AN ACCOUNT PURPORTEDLY PREPARED BY CAPTURED GUERRILLA HAMLET HERMANN

PEREZ DESCRIBING EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE FEBRUARY 2 GUERRILLA LANDING AT PLAYA CARACOLES AND HERMANN' S ROLE IN THEM.

2. ACCORDING TO THE PUBLISHED ACCOUNT, HERMANN ADMITTED TO BEING RECRUITED IN 1968 BY AMAURY GERMAN ARISTY INTO AN ORGANIZATION WHOSE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE WAS TO OVERTHROW THE GODR BY THE USE OF ARMED FORCE. HERMANN DESCRIBED HIS 1970 TRIP TO MEXICO AND HIS SUBSEQUENT TRAVEL TO CUBA WHERE HE MET COL. FRANCISCO CAAMANO DENO

WHO HEADED UP THE GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION. IN HERMANN' S ACCOUNT, HE WROTE THAT CAAMANO INDICATED TO HIM THAT 1) MORE THAN HALF OF THE GUERRILLA GROUP WERE MEMBERS OF THE DOMINICAN REVOLUTION-ARY PARTY (PRD), 2) THAT GERMAN ARISTY AND VIRGILIO PERDOMO PEREZ WERE SLECTING MEN FROM THE PRD TO SERVE AS " REINFORCEMENTS" IN THE D. R. FOR THE GUERRILLAS, 3) THAT RELATIONS WITH JUAN BOSCH AND THE PRD WERE EXCELLENT, 4) THAT GERMAN ARISTY WAS IN CHARGE OF ORGANIZING AN URBAN GUERRILLA FORCE (THE COMANDOS DE LA RESIS-CONFIDENTIAL

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TENCIA), AND, FINALLY, 5) THAT THE GUERRILLAS WERE TOTALLYD NOT FOR
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